

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Number 15 is the last one that I'll try.

CLERK: Do you want to withdraw the rest of them Senator Chambers?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, the rest of them I'll withdraw.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers asks unanimous consent to withdraw amendments 9 through '4.

PRESIDENT: Is there an objection? Seeing none, it's so ordered. Now Mr. President, amendment 15 is as follows. Page 230 and 231 strike Subsection 3, Subdivision 3.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Members of the Legislature. This will blow your minds. You won't know which way to go and on this one I don't care which way you go. I feel I've got you between a rock and a hard place on this one and this is where I can be as arrogant as I want to. I can tell you to sit on it if I want to. I'm going to tell you what the law says as it is now and it's highly amusing to me. If you look at Subdivision 3 on page 230, it says the provisions of Subsection 2 of this section shall not apply to peace officers and members of the law enforcement agency and so forth. Any person who has permission in writing from the head of an agency and so forth or legal newspapers. Now let me tell you what they are exempted from being required to follow or to make it affirmative, here's what they can do. Subsection 2 says that a radio system could not be used by a person to intentionally interfere with the transmission or reception of police messages or to hinder the agency in fulfillment of its duties. According to Subsection 3, if you fit into one of these categories, you then have the right to hinder the agency by the use of your transmission in the fulfillment of its duties. This B in line 15, you are not to intercept such radio signals to evade or assist others in evading arrest. But according to Subdivision 3, you can do this and not be guilty of a crime because you are exempted from the operation of this Subdivision 2. Now the last one. The use of such communication for monetary or personal gain; that is the only one that remotely might have validity with reference to newspapers and so forth except that I don't think their use of these transmissions is to commercialize the transmission itself. It is a part of their news gathering and news reporting and on that basis, I don't think they would need permission from the law to make use of this information coming over the police airways as a part of their news gathering operation. Now if you think that I'm wrong, then I want you to stand up and tell me. But if you look at the way this Section 319 operates, Subsection 2 says a person commits the offense of interfering with the police radio system if he does certain things. Subdivision 3 says that this provision will not apply to these listed categories below which means that those categories listed below can interfere. They can help in escapes and they can do these other things without committing an offense. Now if that's what you want to do, I'm certainly going to help you do it. But I just thought I'd bring it to your attention and my amendment attempts to correct that situation. I'll be totally honest with you. Based on some of the votes that have happened on other amendments, I hope you reject this one and Senator Stoney is not here but what he ought to ask me now is what does this really do. Now, there was a story about people who were presented with two doors and